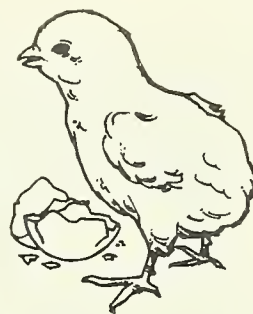


HATCHERY PRODUCTION



January 1966



February 16, 1966

Chick Production

Hatcheries produced 255.4 million chicks during January 1966 compared with 222.3 million during January last year, according to the Crop Reporting Board. The hatch of broiler-type chicks totaled 218.2 million, up 14 percent from January 1965 and the largest of record for the month. Broiler-type eggs in incubators on February 1, 1966 were up 10 percent from February 1, 1965.

Egg-type chicks hatched during January are estimated at 37.2 million chicks, up 17 percent from January 1965, and a seasonal increase of 38 percent from December 1965. Compared to a year earlier, increases were 39 percent in the West North Central, 23 percent in the North Atlantic, 19 percent in the South Central, 17 percent in the South Atlantic, 10 percent in the East North Central, and 9 percent in the West. The number of egg-type eggs in incubators on February 1, 1966 was 15 percent above February 1 last year.

Poult Production

Poults of all breeds produced during January 1966 were 5,865,000 compared with 3,767,000 for January 1965, an increase of 56 percent. Heavy breed poults hatched in January totaled 4,759,000, an increase of 54 percent from January 1965. The hatch of heavy white breeds at 3,609,000 was up 93 percent while other heavy breeds at 1,150,000 was down 7 percent. Light breed poults hatched at 1,106,000 were up 66 percent. The number of heavy breed eggs in incubators on February 1, 1966 was up 37 percent from February 1, 1965. The number of light breed eggs in incubators on February 1, 1966 was up 16 percent from a year earlier.

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Broiler and egg-type chicks hatched by commercial
hatcheries, United States

Month and year	Number chicks hatched		
	Broiler type	Egg type	Total
	<u>Thousands</u>	<u>Thousands</u>	<u>Thousands</u>
January 1965	190,535	31,759	222,294
December 1965	209,394	26,901	236,295
January 1966	218,156	37,228	255,384
	<u>Percent</u>	<u>Percent</u>	<u>Percent</u>
January 1966 as per- cent of January 1965	114	117	115

Chicken eggs in incubators February 1, 1966

Geographic division	February 1, 1966 as a percent of February 1, 1965		
	Broiler type	Egg type	Total eggs
	<u>Percent</u>	<u>Percent</u>	<u>Percent</u>
North Atlantic	99	121	106
East North Central	121	100	107
West North Central	85	131	109
South Atlantic	110	120	111
South Central	111	117	112
West	117	108	113
48 States	110	115	111
United States <u>1/</u>	110	115	111

1/ Includes Hawaii.

Poults hatched by commercial hatcheries, United States

Month and year	Number poults hatched ^{1/}				
	Heavy breeds			Light	Total
	White	Other	Total	breeds	breeds
	Thou.	Thou.	Thou.	Thou.	Thou.
January 1965	1,869	1,230	3,099	668	3,767
December 1965	1,623	513	2,136	858	2,994
January 1966	3,609	1,150	4,759	1,106	5,865
	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent
January 1966 as percent of January 1965	193	93	154	166	156

Poults hatched and turkey eggs in incubators

Geographic division	Total breeds ^{1/}						Light breeds ^{1/}	
	White		Other		Total			
	1965	1966	1965	1966	1965	1966	1965	1966
	Thou.	Thou.	Thou.	Thou.	Thou.	Thou.	Thou.	Thou.
Poults hatched during January								
North Atlantic	16	1	3	4	19	5	4	26
East North Central	125	261	20	7	145	268	103	99
West North Central	725	1,211	262	360	987	1,571	201	473
South Atlantic	243	464	276	177	519	641	281	341
South Central	158	665	188	27	346	692	32	40
West	602	1,007	481	575	1,083	1,582	47	127
United States	1,869	3,609	1,230	1,150	3,099	4,759	668	1,106
Turkey eggs in incubators February 1	1965	1966	1965	1966	1965	1966	1965	1966
North Atlantic	30	16	76	65	106	81	6	14
East North Central	559	943	239	294	798	1,237	179	159
West North Central	2,122	3,662	2,277	2,589	4,399	6,251	285	456
South Atlantic	750	1,111	666	476	1,416	1,587	501	550
South Central	712	1,902	546	490	1,258	2,392	58	50
West	1,667	1,890	1,953	2,447	3,620	4,337	97	79
United States	5,840	9,524	5,757	6,361	11,597	15,885	1,126	1,308

^{1/} Heavy white breeds include heavy white-feathered breeds, such as Broad white, white Holland, Empire white, Lancaster, and crosses with light white breeds. All other heavy breeds are reported under "other." Light breeds include Beltsville, Jersey Buff and wild turkeys.

Broiler and egg-type chicks hatched by commercial hatcheries

State and division	During January			
	Broiler-type		Egg-type	
	1965	1966	1965	1966
	Thousands	Thousands	Thousands	Thousands
Maine	5,780	6,018	340	442
N. H.	573	585	151	186
Vt.	0	0	30	36
Mass. & R. I. <u>1/</u>	677	812	594	770
Conn.	1,353	1,218	524	419
N. Y.	35	95	1,350	1,700
N. J.	156	93	400	520
Pa.	4,312	4,277	1,646	2,101
N. A.	12,886	13,098	5,035	6,174
Ohio	750	500	1,350	1,800
Ind.	1,671	2,375	1,865	1,400
Ill.	99	49	1,201	1,407
Mich.	390	400	700	850
Wis.	800	1,080	280	500
E. N. C.	3,710	4,404	5,396	5,957
Minn.	723	680	631	772
Iowa	100	45	1,200	1,700
Mo.	2,832	2,327	354	503
N. Dak.	2/	2/	0	0
S. Dak.	2/	2/	165	310
Nebr.	50	50	210	338
Kans.	0	2	210	220
W. N. C.	2/ 3,705	2/ 3,107	2,770	3,843
Del.	8,549	8,846	3/	3/
Md.	11,873	15,206	3/	3/
Va.	5,263	5,184	428	628
W. Va.	493	542	3/	3/
N. C.	19,388	22,030	581	520
S. C.	1,203	1,408	502	715
Ga.	34,013	40,860	1,842	2,402
Fla.	1,031	1,280	1,911	1,900
S. A.	81,813	95,356	3/ 5,316	3/ 6,228
Ky.	125	213	258	296
Tenn.	3,449	3,769	282	635
Ala.	22,565	27,377	1,564	1,203
Miss.	12,954	14,524	1,149	1,357
Ark.	26,700	30,701	934	1,629
La.	2,657	3,150	231	188
Okla.	410	157	226	268
Texas	11,195	12,548	1,680	1,919
S. C.	80,055	92,439	6,324	7,495
Idaho	336	341	59	57
Colo.	11	11	130	171
Utah	171	246	78	160
Wash.	1,579	1,790	752	770
Oreg.	979	1,163	244	224
Calif.	5,174	6,079	5,506	5,892
West	4/ 8,267	4/ 9,650	4/ 6,844	4/ 7,484
48 States	190,436	218,054	31,685	37,181
Hawaii	99	102	74	47
U. S.	190,535	218,156	31,759	37,228

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Total chicks hatched by commercial hatcheries

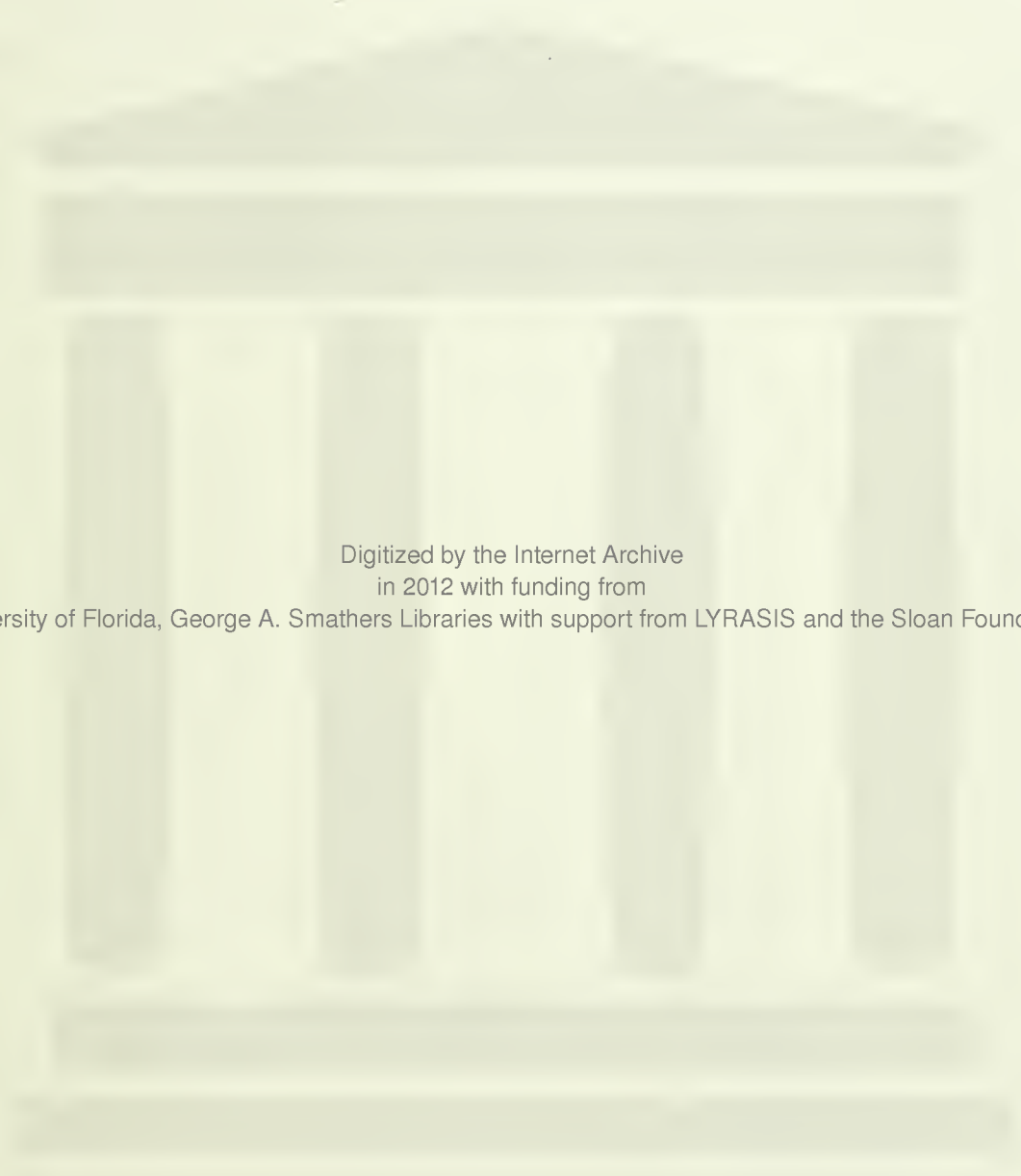
State and division	During January		
	Average	1965	1966
	1960-64		
	Thousands	Thousands	Thousands
Maine	5,462	6,120	6,460
N. H.	1,266	724	771
Vt.	41	30	36
Mass. & R.I. 1/	1,800	1,271	1,582
Conn.	2,771	1,877	1,637
N. Y.	1,614	1,385	1,795
N. J.	1,279	556	613
Pa.	6,490	5,958	6,378
N. A.	20,724	17,921	19,272
Ohio	2,184	2,100	2,300
Ind.	5,166	3,536	3,775
Ill.	1,301	1,300	1,456
Mich.	1,228	1,090	1,250
Wis.	1,382	1,080	1,580
E. N. C.	11,261	9,106	10,361
Minn.	1,307	1,354	1,452
Iowa	901	1,300	1,745
Mo.	5,832	3,186	2,830
N. Dak.	2/	2/	2/
S. Dak.	2/	2/	2/
Nebr.	477	260	388
Kans.	462	210	222
W. N. C.	2/ 9,090	2/ 6,475	2/ 6,950
Del.	3/	3/	3/
Md.	3/	3/	3/
Va.	6,259	5,691	5,812
W. Va.	3/	3/	3/
N. C.	16,565	19,969	22,550
S. C.	2,095	1,705	2,123
Ga.	31,747	35,855	43,262
Fla.	2,748	2,942	3,180
S. A.	3/ 78,029	3/ 87,129	3/ 101,584
Ky.	697	383	509
Tenn.	3,852	3,731	4,404
Ala.	16,315	24,129	28,580
Miss.	12,127	14,103	15,881
Ark.	18,438	27,634	32,330
La.	2,213	2,888	3,338
Okla.	926	636	425
Texas	12,619	12,875	14,467
S. C.	48,909	86,379	99,934
Idaho	438	395	398
Colo.	149	141	182
Utah	294	249	406
Wash.	2,123	2,331	2,560
Oreg.	1,377	1,223	1,387
Calif.	10,962	10,680	11,971
West	4/ 15,575	4/ 15,111	4/ 17,134
48 States	201,865	222,121	255,235
Hawaii	202	173	149
U. S.	202,066	222,294	255,384

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